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SATURDAY & SUNDAY - SKATING IN WILMINGTON & BOSTON

Saturday and Sunday are to double barreled, red letter days for the members of the Wilmington Skating Club, and their hundreds of loyal enthusiastic fans.

On Saturday, at the Wilmington Skating Club on Chestnut street, 175 entries of the silver skates in Boston - all the top entries, and including the 50 from Wilmington, will compete in an 'exhibition' that is expected to last for about two hours. The purpose is to provide a 'warm-up' for the next day's events in Boston - the Wilmington rink being built to the exact dimensions of Boston Garden.

Officials of the North Eastern Skating Association will be in charge of the events here Saturday.

President Harold Collins and first vice President Henry Rogers will be the Head Referees. The Patrol Judges will be Ned Ganter, Win Ganter, Ken Carpenter and Jackson Perry, and Mike Weinberg will be the official Timekeeper.

Public skating will follow the races, and there will be plenty of refreshments on hand. Over 1000 spectators are expected.

Sunday

At least 800 fans are expected to accompany the 50 Wilmington entries to the Silver Skates, in Boston, on Sunday. There, in Boston Garden, 1100 skaters will be facing one another in New England's biggest annual skating event The B&MRR. is providing special train service, to take care of Wilmington's skating-mad fans.

Train 3006 of the B & M will make a stop at Wilmington at 11:00 a.m., and will have several extra cars, in order that the Wilmington skaters can get to the Garden well ahead of the event. It is due to arrive at North Station at 11:30 a.m.

The train that regularly leaves Wilmington at 12:12 p.m., will also have several extra cars, for the skating fans.

Returning, a train that leaves Boston at 6:00 p.m. (NO. 3009) will make a special stop at Wilmington at 6:20 p.m. This train, too, will have extra cars.

MARCH OF DIMES CHAIRMAN HAILS BLUE CRUTCH WORK OF AMERICAN LEGION AND AUXILIARY

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MRS. JANET TIGHE - THE CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS

MRS. JANET TIGHE OF CHESTNUT STREET, NORTH AMERICAN SENIOR WOMEN'S SPEED SKATING CHAMPION, WITH THE CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS TROPHY WHICH SHE WON IN NEW YORK CITY LAST WINTER. SHE AND MISS JEANNE ASHWORTH OF CHURCH STREET - NORTH AMERICAN JUNIOR CHAMPION - WILL MAKE TWO APPEARANCES, SATURDAY AND SUNDAY, BY SPECIAL REQUEST. SATURDAY THE TWO GIRLS WILL HAVE AN EXHIBITION AT THE WILMINGTON SKATING CLUB, AND ON SUNDAY THEY ARE TO BE FEATURED IN A SPECIAL ATTRACTION IN THE BOSTON GARDEN, AT THE SILVER SKATES. BOTH GIRLS HAVE WON EVERY PRIZE TO BE OFFERED AT THE GARDEN, AND ARE NO LONGER ELIGIBLE TO COMPETE THERE

Legion, and the American Legion Auxiliary, here in Wilmington, for its assistance in the drive against Polio has been hailed by Anthony Meads, Main Street, Wilmington, Chairman of the March of Dimes, as 'An Outstanding example of unselfishness.'

'The American Legion and the American Legion Auxiliary of Wilmington deserve nothing but the highest praise', said Meads.

'The Blue Crutch idea instituted by these organizations is an outstanding example of unselfishness. It is work of a dedicated group, towards eradicating a scourge of our times-- Polio, and these two organizations have contributed unstintingly, in their efforts. The ladies of the Auxiliary raised \$112.92, and the men of the Legion raised \$42.00, money which is urgently needed to combat Polio. Our thanks goes to these organizations, and to the people in them, the Legionnaires led by Commander Thomas J. Breen, and the ladies led by President Alice Murphy'.

COUNTY EXTENSION AGENTS TO SHOW 4-H MOVIES HERE

Mr. Jesse James, County 4-H Agent will show films at the High School on Saturday afternoon, January 28th, at 2 p.m. There will be films on horsemanship, farming, soil conservation, crafts, sewing, cooking, citizenship, safety and other phases of 4-H project work.

The public is invited to attend, admission free, and get acquainted with 4-H extension work. Anyone interested in joining a club or starting a new one, or in leadership will have the opportunity to meet Town and County 4-H Leaders

VOTERS CAN REGISTER UNTIL FEBRUARY 11TH

The last day for the registration of voters, in the coming Town Meeting, has been set at February 11th. The books of the Board of Registrars will be open from 12 Noon to 10 p.m. on that date, in the Town Hall.

RUTH GRATCYK RESIGNS FROM SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Mrs Ruth Gracyk, Chairman of the Wilmington School committee tendered her resignation as a member of that committee to Town Clerk Mrs Mary Gilligan, on Monday afternoon. Her formal resignation followed in less than 24 hours her more dramatic resignation from the committee itself.

Mrs Gracyk submitted a written resignation to the committee Sunday afternoon, at 3:40, 40 minutes after a special meeting had been called in the Roman House. She had brought the resignation with her, already prepared.

In a formal statement, released to the press, Mrs. Gracyk stated that she had resigned after a five to one vote by the committee had refused to give to the Finance Committee requested information concerning pay of school teachers.

Public Statement to Press

It is with deep regret and only after thorough consideration of the issues

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MOTHER'S MARCH ON POLIO TO BE FEB. 5TH

The Mother's March on Polio will be held Sunday, February 5th, from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m.

In the past the March has been held in the evening, but this year, due to inclement weather and the hardships involved in making the March in the hours, involved, the Committee has decided it would be easier to hold the march in afternoon hours.

The Wilmington Lions Club have generously offered to provide transportation for the ladies who participate in the Mother's March, and the American Legion Hall has been made available, for headquarters.

Mrs. Nicholas DeFelice and Mrs. John Tautges, Co-Chairmen of the March, have called for volunteers to help in the work. In a public statement they have stated:

'We all realize that Massachusetts has had an epidemic of Polio, in this past year, which gives all the more incentive to work harder on this drive.

Funds are needed desperately to carry on the work, and it is the duty of every mother to do her part.

Let's all get together and go way over the top this year! It means very little work for all of us, if we cooperate and do not leave it to just a few persons.

Volunteers are needed for every section of town. Any one who can spare an hour of her time on February 5th is requested to call either Mrs. DeFelice, at OL8-4535, or Mrs. Tautges, at OL8-3056.'

'CIRCUS PRIEST' TO PRESENT PROGRAM IN VILLANOVA HALL ON MARCH 16TH

The Rev. Edward S. Sullivan, better known as the Circus Priest, is to be present in Villanova Hall,

on Friday, March 16th, to relate some of his many interesting stories of his life with the people of the Circus. Included with his talk will be moving pictures of the events he will portray.

This is the first time that St. Thomas parish has been able to engage the services of Father Sullivan. On each of the previous attempts he has always had other engagements. There is considerable satisfaction among the people of the parish that Father Sullivan has consented to donate his time to come to Wilmington.

St. Thomas Court, C.D.A. is sponsoring the evening.

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JOE MUST STAY

For some weeks there has been a movement in
Wilmington which has been characterized by the
catchwords 'Joe Must Go' 'Joe' being the Town
Manager of Wilmington, otherwise known by his
name of Joseph Courtney.

A group of disgruntled citizens are behind the
movement. They have filed a petition to have
a vote in the March elections on whether or not
the town shall continue to operate under the
Town Manager plan. The people of the town will
have their opportunity to vote, by ballot, on
March 3rd.

In order that there be no misunderstanding,
let it be said that we were one of those who
signed the petition. We have always held that
it is the right of any aggrieved party to have
a fair hearing, and in this case the fair hear-
ing will be by vote of their fellow citizens.
Because of this belief of ours, and because
only of this belief, we signed the petition.

At the time we signed, we were not in favor of
the movement, and we so said to the gentleman
who brought the papers to our home. Our posi-
tion can be put very briefly: JOE MUST STAY.

To Vote No You Say Yes, and Vice Versa

Let us first look at the ballot, on which the
citizens will be expected to place his 'X' on
March 3rd.

The wording is already specified, in the ori-
ginal Town Manager act of Wilmington, voted by
the State Legislature as Chapter 592 of the
Acts of 1950. The wording is tricky, and de-
serves some study. It reads thus: 'Shall the
acceptance by the Town of Wilmington of an act
passed by the General Court in the year 1950,
entitled 'An act establishing a Town Manager
form of government for the Town of Wilmington
be revoked?'

This requires careful reading. It means that
if you don't want the Town Manager plan here
you vote 'Yes', and, if you do want it to re-
main you vote 'No'.

To reduce it to its simplest terms it means
'Shall Joe Go?' Yes means Yes, he shall go, and
No means No, we want him to stay.

It Takes a Year

Even if the Town Manager plan should be re-
voked, it will take a year before it becomes
effective. This is provided in the same Act of
the General Court which established the plan,
and which specified the vote.

A Complex Subject

There is no such thing today as a 'simple'
government. Once upon a time there was--the
Tyrants of some of the ancient city-states of
Greece, the Republics of the same time, the
Folkthings of the ancient Scandinavians and
Anglo Saxons, and the early Town meeting-
Selectmen governments of New England were all
simple governments of one type of another.

Today, in our modern age, encumbered by laws
and size, government has become a complex sub-
ject which is not understood by too many
persons.

As the Selectmen-Town Meeting government was
established in New England it was a thing of
simplicity. The Town Meeting met once a month,
to keep its hands on the government, and the
Selectmen met weekly to take care of the minor
affairs. This was in the days of the early
puritans, when Town Meeting was almost a reli-
gious duty. Towns were small, and easy to run.

Today's towns are getting large, and the peo-
ple are not too anxious to attend Town Meetings.
It is a fortunate meeting in which 10% of the
voters are present, not all of whom are exactly
sure of what is going on.

It is because of this factor, and the increas-
ing complexities of the laws that two new types
of town government have appeared--the Town Man-
ager-Selectmen government, and the Limited Town
Meeting government.

In the limited Town Meeting government the
voters no longer attend the Town Meetings, but
elect Representatives who attend for them. Such
a government can be seen in Brookline, the
town in the Commonwealth with the largest pop-
ulation, and also in Reading and Natick. All
three towns seem to do quite well.

In the Selectmen-Manager type of government it
is the Selectmen who lose some of their powers
to a representative. Provisions for this are
found in the 'Town Charter', which is state
law, and is individually voted for each town
by the Legislature.

Town Charters

As we have said, a Town Charter is voted by
the Legislature for any town that wants it,
after which it is accepted or rejected by the
citizens of that town.

Town Charters are spoken of as being 'strong'
or 'weak', in which word the speaker means that
the Town Manager of that town has a 'lot of
power' or 'not quite so much'. Still further
down the scale is the 'Executive Secretary'
set up, such as was tried in Arlington, in
which the Town Manager doesn't make the deci-
sion, but merely 'executes' the decisions of
the Selectmen.

In one sense at least, that of personality,
a 'strong' charter or a 'weak' charter, or even
an 'executive secretary' can all be obviated,
one way or the other. Personalities play a lot
in government, and a strong minded individual,
given the right circumstances can do a lot of
good, or a lot of damage, if he so desires, no
matter what the set-up. 'weak' charters and
'Executive Secretary' set-ups are designed to
prevent a Town Manager from doing too much on
his own accord, with this thought in mind,
while 'strong' charters seem to imply that the
Town Manager can do no wrong, and therefore
shouldn't be limited in his power.

Wilmington's Charter

One of the towns that has a 'strong' charter
is our own town of Wilmington, but it is not
quite so strong today as it was last year at
this time. Last year our Town Manager could
transfer money as he saw fit, having, of course
regard for certain laws. He could totally dis-
regard, if he saw fit, even the Selectmen's
thoughts, which explains how in one way the
word 'strong' describes this type of charter.
(Incidentally, the proposed charter for Burling-
ton which was recently voted down in a town
meeting was even stronger. In our belief it
should have been voted down, for it took away
too much power from the voters and the Select-
men).

Recently, in Town Meeting, the voters of Wil-
mington weakened the charter by voting to ask
the Selectmen to petition the Legislature to
take away the power of a town manager to make
financial transfers without approval. If vot-
ed by the Legislature, and it will probably be
so done, the Town Manager must get the approval
of the Selectmen and the Finance Committee, be-
fore making such transfers.

We regard this as a very important step, and
a very fine compromise. Our first regular Town
Manager made a number of transfers which left
the town officials in a turmoil. He made the
transfers without their knowledge. His fiscal

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TOWN NOTES

Weather

Nice for January. We had
6 inches of snow on Janu-
ary 27th, and since then
it hasn't been too cold, so
that only about 3 inches
are remaining. That rain,
of which we spoke last week
lasted for a total of 10
days, which is some sort of
a record. There was a
total of 5.07 inches, which
would have equaled about
five feet of snow, had it
been a little colder.

Skating

We are just hoping for a
few cold days, between now
and next Saturday, purely
for the reason that we want
to see good ice, down at
the rink of the Wilmington
Skating Club. The skaters
who are coming here are the
creme de la creme, but
without ice the people of
Wilmington won't be able to
see them.

As we all know, the Wil-
mington Skating Rink has
the exact dimensions of the
Boston Garden, and the
skaters will be warming up
for the events of Sunday,
in the Gardens. It offers
a rare opportunity for the
people of Wilmington to see
the greats and near-greats
of the Skating World in
action, and we wouldn't be
surprised to see a good
crowd at the Skating Rink,
Saturday afternoon.

Industry

Last week in this column
we mentioned a Reading in-
dustry as having lost a
General Motors contract,
and that they were letting
off help as a result. Our
source of information was
one of the men who works
there, but he apparently
wasn't too sure of his
facts.

The industry did release
a few men, but they were
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LADIES!

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accounting system was very loose, and no one was able to keep up with him. The Treasurer, for instance, has money which is used every year to process tax titles, and the Town Manager, who found him short of cash, transferred this money to another account without saying a word to anyone, the result being that no work was done on tax titles that year.

Because we had a 'strong' charter we suffered. Our Town Manager was a strong minded man, and he was surrounded by a coterie of sycophants who applauded every move, and damned anyone who offered criticism. A Board of Selectmen who boasted that they were '101% Town Manager' met behind closed doors and applauded every move that the Town Manager made, often without quite knowing the details.

Changes

At least part of that sad and unhappy series of events can never occur again, because now the Town Manager must get the approval of the Finance Committee before he can make a transfer.

As we say, our Town Manager, without consultation, made many such transfers. Even the Town Accountant didn't know what was going on, because the Town Manager didn't tell him. The Town Manager made purchases right and left, without consultation. The only way the Town Accountant found out about it was when he got the bills.

Naturally, when an Accountant runs up against things of this nature he will make a protest, and our Accountant did, to his boss, the Selectmen.

The 101% percenters had two answers to this--- they wanted the Town Accountant to be under the Town Manager instead of the Selectmen, so they wouldn't have to listen to his protests, and, secondly, they simply wanted to fire him. One of the 'Executive Sessions' of the Board of Selectmen was exactly for this purpose, which, fortunately didn't carry.

This is where Joe Courtney comes in, and one of the reasons why we say Joe Must Stay!

Joe's Reforms

Joe Courtney can be described by one word-- Sincerity. He was elected Town Manager of Wilmington by another of the typically dirty tricks of the 101 percenters, but he had absolutely nothing to do with that election and it cannot be held against him, by any stretch of the imagination.

Joe's first move, in Wilmington, was to straighten out the purchasing system, so sadly abused by the previous Town Manager. It took him nearly a year to do so, in cooperation with the Town Accountant, but the people of Wilmington can now be assured that every cent that is spent is properly accounted for. Perhaps all of our town employees don't like the system, for it does involve red tape, but it works.

Another move, which was more in the nature of a countermove, was the amendment of the charter so that now the Finance Committee can also veto transfers of money. The Finance Committee

wanted to do away with this provision altogether, Joe pointed out that there are times when a transfer should be made for instance in the case of a small sum, at the end of the year. A special Town Meeting would have to be called, if the transfer were to be made without this provision: a Town Meeting that would cost more than the transfer. The Finance Committee saw the light, and complete agreement was reached.

We approve of both of these moves, and they constitute two of the reasons why we say Joe Must Stay.

(We hope to discuss other phases in our next issue, meanwhile we invite any correspondence from our readers, on the subject).

THOUGHTS ON POISONING DOGS

In the past few weeks we have received several complaints from Wilmington people to the effect that someone has been trying to poison dogs in their neighborhood. We don't know yet if this is really townwide, but we do know that both canine and feline pets have been poisoned.

Has the person who is doing this ever stopped to think of what might happen if a child should eat that poisoned food, strewn around apparently indiscriminately?

MRS GRATCYK SHOULD RUN AGAIN

Mrs Ruth Gratcyk, chairman of the Wilmington School Committee, resigned from that committee Sunday afternoon. She did so on a matter of principal, and has since issued a public statement which is not only printed in this paper, but in others as well.

The issue over which she resigned is fundamental. She believes that any committee of the town which can spend the public tax dollar should be accountable to the town for that money. We agree with Mrs. Gratcyk.

The direct cause of the resignation was a five to one vote, in a special School Committee meeting Sunday afternoon. The vote was held on whether or not the Finance Committee should be given a list of the teachers in the Wilmington Public Schools, together with their earnings. The Finance Committee can get such information about the employees of any other department in town. In recent years however, the School Committees of the various towns have been denying such information to anyone who asked for it.

We can sympathize with the School Committee position that the individual earnings of a teacher should not be public knowledge. We hardly can see how the Finance Committee's knowing would make such knowledge public. That committee has a well deserved reputation for being 'close-mouthed'.

Now the laws of the Commonwealth are such that a school committee budget must be voted by a municipality, willy-nilly. Like it or not, you have to vote the money, and there is a provision for a 25% fine if the money is withheld. This can hurt, as the City of Woburn found out in a famous case (City of Woburn vs Ring).

Basing themselves on the knowledge that the law gives them this stranglehold, many school committees give but the barest information on their budget to the people of their communities. 'Here is the money we want -- Now go and vote it' as become their attitude.

It is a thought which has disturbed us greatly. We wouldn't be particularly happy to see the School Committee budget become an item over which the citizens could wrangle to the last penny. We doubt if such would be conducive to a good atmosphere for our public school system. But we think that if the Finance Committee of a town wants some information, in the privacy of a closed door meeting that information should be forthcoming.

Mrs Gratcyk has, in effect, thrown down the gauntlet. In resigning from the school committee she has raised the question from a discussion level of just the school committee, to one of that is now town wide.

That is why we believe Mrs. Gratcyk should be a candidate for the seat she has just vacated. She feels that such action would do no good, that the vote would still be five to one. She would do good though -- she will give the public a chance to be heard on a fundamental question.

Not because Mrs Gratcyk is Mrs Gratcyk, but because of the question she has raised she should be a candidate to succeed herself, on the Wilmington School Committee.

GUEST NIGHT PLANNED FOR OES

Mrs Barbara L Goodpaster, 4 Haverhill Road, Topsfield, the worthy Matron of Acacia Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, in Wilmington, is planning a guest night for the chapter on Saturday, February 11th, at 6:30 pm at the Wildwood School. All members and friends have been invited to attend the dinner and the entertainment and dance which will follow later in the evening.

BABY KLEYNEN UNDERGOES OPERATION FOR EYES

John Thomas Kleynen, two year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Kleynen Jr. of Salem Street, underwent an operation in the Lowell General Hospital last Thursday, for correction of an eye defect. Dr. Broggi of Lowell, the surgeon, is attempting to correct a congenital case of cross-eyes.

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Mrs. Janet Tighe, of Wilmington, probably the fastest woman on skates in North America. She is the North American Senior Women's Champion in Speed Skating, and has set five North American records in the senior's division, not to mention the many records she set as a youngster. The photo shows Mrs. Tighe pointing to her name in a headline of the Daily News of New York, after she had won the 'Race of the Champions' there last winter.



MIKE WIKSTEDT, CONNECTICUT JUNIOR CHAMPION

An excellent action photo of the 15 year old boy from Fitchburg who recently won the Junior Championship of Connecticut. Notice the hat and the skates. Mike says the hat gives him luck. The skates show quite clearly the difference between indoor and outdoor skates. These, indoor skates, are on the left side of his shoes, rather than on the center, so as to give more control when turning sharp corners to the left, as must be done in inside speed racing.



TWO STARS WHO WILL SKATE HERE ANOTHER PICTURE OF JOHNNY WALSH
Johnny Walsh of St. John's New Brunswick, and Worcester, Canadian Skating Club. He won the three mile champion, and Jack Mahoney, US Olympic team skater. Johnny did not take up indoor skating until he joined the Worcester Club.



TWO HAVE GONE TO KOREA, THE REST ARE COMING HERE. 'STARS AT LAKE PLACID



THE GANTER TRIO

Judy, Steve and Peter Ganter, from Brighton, all of whom have been seen in Boston Garden by Wilmington skating fans, and who will appear on the rink of the Wilmington Skating Club, Saturday afternoon. Judy is the North American Champion in the Special Midget Class.



THE CO CAPTAINS OF WILMINGTON'S HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL TEAMS

Co-Captains of the 1956 Basketball Teams are Dick Ethier and Chuck Rounds, and Patty Bennett and Jeanne Ashworth. Chuck, at the moment, is laid up with a turned ankle, turned during practice. Both Patty & Jeanne excell in other sports, Patty in baseball, and Jeanne in skating. (See front page story)

DUNTON ROAD RESIDENTS PROTEST DELAY

Eight residents of Dunton Road were at the selectmen's meeting, Monday night, to see about chances to get their street accepted in 1956. Mrs. Mary Cuoco, a resident of that area since 1916 acted as spokesman at first, but later was supplanted by the entire group as they sought to drive their feelings home to the Board of selectmen. Those feelings could not be described as exactly happy. They related instances of oil trucks finding it impossible to make deliveries and of people falling, on slippery rock.

Dunton Road is situated on Kelly's Hill, near the water standpipe, and has considerable ledge. It has been under consideration for acceptance for years, and last year the Town voted money to have the street surveyed, as a preliminary to acceptance.

The survey showed that it would cost \$11,500 to have the street accepted. This included large sums of money for a section of the street which is very steep, a rock hill, and for providing drainage through rock in other places.

Town engineer George Winters, who was present told the selectmen that if the steep hill section were not accepted it might be possible to do the rest for \$2190, exclusive of drainage. Selectman Nicholas De Felice, who several times stated that 'something should be done' estimated that 680 feet of the street could be done under Mr. Winters' estimate.

During the discussion it developed that every resident of the street had signed 'releases' and of the other owners only one had not signed, a woman who owned a summer place. It also developed that she had been constructing stonewall or other blocks in what was described as the street, near her place.

The residents of the street became quite irked, at times, and especially after Town Manager Joseph

Courtney had given a long and patient explanation about 'private ways', 'ease ments' and other difficulties that the town encounters. They left however, with smiles on their face when Mrs. Drew, the chairman of the board, told them that she promised their street would get all possible consideration.

Mrs. James Pipes, Ernest Rice, and Fred Corum, of the Wilmington Housing Authority attended the meeting with a request that the Selectmen appoint a temporary member to act until the elections. On the suggestion of TM Courtney it was decided that two men who have signified their intention of running to fill the two vacancies be invited to attend meetings from now until election, and thus familiarize themselves with the problems.

Water Betterments

A letter was received from the Water Commissioners, asking that the Selectmen place upon the warrant for the annual town meeting an article, to be written by the Town Counsel, based on Chapter 332 of the Acts of 1955, an act to authorize the levy of special assessments to meet the cost of laying water pipes in public and private ways.

On the suggestion of Selectman Charles Black it was decided that the Water Commissioners should be asked to consult the Town Counsel on this matter.

Lunch Wagons

Among the applications for licenses were two for mobile lunch wagons, both of which had been approved by the Board of Health. One was from Fred Kleynan, of Harris Street, North Wilmington, and the other from a Winchester cafeteria on Swanton Street. Both were granted after Mr. DeFelice pointed out that a mobile lunch cart from Cambridge serves several plants in Wilmington daily, under a state license. Mr. Black 'wondered' if they were meeting the same requirements as local business men, pointing out that if

such were not the case the local men would be under a disadvantage.

Police & Fire Questions

A petition, signed by a sufficient number of voters was received to have an article placed upon the warrant to see whether or not the Fire Department should be under the provisions of Civil Service, for the regular members of the force, including the office of Chief.

Another petition was received asking for the acceptance of an act by the town which would grant vacations for the members of the regular or permanent police and fire forces.

Nassau Avenue

A letter was received from Atty. John J. Monagle, of Boston, relative to property of Daniel J. Denehy, of Auburn Avenue. The letter stated that since Nassau Avenue has been re-graded water flows onto the lawn of Mr. Denehy's property, and into his cellar, threatening to flood it, and the furnace, and as such it is a fire hazard. The Selectmen turned the letter over to the TM

Executive Session

The Selectmen went into Executive Session, at 10:30 to discuss highways, and other portions of the 1956 budget.

SERIES OF SERMONS ON GREAT PROPHETS TO CONCLUDE WITH "JEREMIAH" AT METHODIST CHURCH

A series of sermons which have been based on some of the great prophets of the Old Testament will conclude Sunday, January 29th at the worship services in the Methodist Church at 9:15 and 11:00 a.m. The Rev. Richard E. Harding will preach on the prophet Jeremiah, who many consider to be the closest in spirit to Jesus.

This series has been preached in conjunction with the World Vision Institute sponsored by the Wilmington Area Council of Protestant Churches.

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RUTH GRATCYK (From Page One)

involved that I have submitted my resignation as Chairman and as a member of the Wilmington School Committee.

I feel that I owe a complete accounting of my position to the people of Wilmington, hence I submit the following statement:

As Chairman, and as a member of the School Committee it is my conviction that each member is bound by the decision of the majority. Inasmuch as I can neither agree with, nor accept certain decisions and policies of the School Committee, I believe my resignation was required as a matter of good faith, and as a means of fulfilling my public responsibilities.

Fundamentally, my objections to the policies of the School Committee are based on these beliefs:

1. The public is fully entitled to complete knowledge of the expenditure of their tax dollar.

2. The schools are an integral part of any town or city and should be considered as such, not as an entity within the school system.

3. Financial stabilization is jeopardized when School Committee take advantage of the powers invested in them by law.

My total disagreement with the recent vote of the Wilmington School Committee to refuse certain information to the Finance Committee is based on the conviction that the principal involved is a component of a trustworthy public service, and that this action reflects a violation of that trust. To the voters of Wilmington who placed me in office by such a heart warming majority on two successive bids for election, I extend my regrets that I no longer feel as though I can carry on the responsibility of their trust. I offer my sincere appreciation of their confidence.

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No Special Appointment
Mrs Gracyk's resignation increases to three the number of open positions in the school committee to be filled in the March election, two for three years, and one for two years, to fill the vacated position.

ANDY PUPA TO HAVE DIRECT TELEPHONE SYSTEM TO SCHOOL CLASSROOMS

The Wilmington School Committee has voted unanimously to have a telephone system installed which will connect the sick room of Andrew Pupa, son of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Borghetti of Kendall Street, with his classrooms in the Wilmington High School. The vote was made in the meeting of January 18th on motion of John Hartnett, after it had been proposed by the Superintendent of Schools.

Pupa, the president of the High School Student's Council, and a Commercial Student, in the Senior Class, has been bedridden over two months with a lingering illness. He has been under treatment in both the St. John's Hospital in Lowell, and the Massachusetts General Hospital. Cost of installing the telephone system will be \$15.00, and there will be a monthly charge of \$18.25, for the service, which will connect Pupa directly to four classrooms, in order that he may continue his studies with his classmates.

\$10,000 Returned to Town

In reviewing the year's expenses, the committee found that the cost of the Wilmington Public Schools had come to \$370,819.88 for the year 1955. A sum of \$10,462.17, which had not been spent from the sum appropriated is being turned over to the Excess and Deficiency Account, of the town. Of this money \$3,807.19 was left over from the School Bus account a savings realized because the schools had opened eight days late this year. All schools in the Commonwealth opened late because of the prevalence of polio, last September.

Eight Days

The committee discussed vacation schedules without arriving at a definite decision, again because of the eight day delay in opening schools. The February vacation will be on schedule, the week of February 22nd, but the April vacation is still uncertain. Some members of the committee feel that it might be well to have less than a full week vacation in

April, in order that the schools not have to continue to June 27th, to make up the eight days lost in September.

School Lunches

A part of a letter written by Mrs. Whelmina DeLisle, Supervisor of the Cafeterias, stated that 78% of the Wilmington school-children now buy their lunches in the school cafeterias.

Future Schools

Superintendent John Collins spoke of the need for more buildings, shortly, in the Wilmington Public Schools. Graphs and Charts which the Additional School Accommodations Committee have prepared show that by 1957 there will again be a shortage of classrooms, and that this shortage will increase rapidly.

Income Tax Classes

A request for a class to teach the preparation of Income Tax reports was turned down by the committee. During the discussion Mr. Arthur Lynch pointed out that twice such classes have been listed in the agenda, for the practical Arts School, but without results, and that if such a class were to start now it could only have five or six weeks before the time for filing Income Tax reports.

COMMITTEES FOR "FUN CAPADES"

Rev. Joseph Leahy, honorary chairman of the second annual show 'Fun Capades' of St. Dorothy's parish has appointed the following committees. John Murphy Jr., general chairman, Mrs. Wm. Tattersall, chairlady of patron and patroness assisted by Mrs. Thomas Carroll, Mrs. Walter Casey, Mrs. John Elliott, Mrs. John J. Baldwin, Miss Mae Rooney, Mrs. Joseph Krough, Miss Kathleen Coyne, Mrs. Thomas Daly, Mrs. John F. Sullivan, Mrs. Joseph Cunningham, Mrs. Harry Sawyer, Mrs. John Mahoney, Mrs. Milner, Mrs. Louis Moklani, Mrs. Cronin, Mrs. Arthur Maloney, Mrs. Alfred Fairbrother, Treasurer--Ernest Crispo, Tickets--Mrs. Harry McKay assisted by Mrs. Richard Lee, Mrs. Wm. Tattersall and Mr. and Mrs. John Hourihan at (Tat's store). Publicity and posters, Mrs. Charles Baldwin. Refreshments Mrs. Jeremiah Mackey, Ushers Pres Gerald O'Brien and Holy Name members.

Rehearsals are held every Sunday afternoon at 1:15 p.m. in St. Dorothy's Hall.

HERBERT DALY BENEFIT NIGHT TO BE HELD FEBRUARY 4TH

The American Legion, and its Auxiliary is sponsoring a 'Herbert Daly Benefit Night,' on Saturday February 4th, in the Legion headquarters on Middlesex Avenue.

Mr. Daly, past and present County Treasurer of the American Legion met with a grievous accident, and is now a patient in the Sacred Heart Hospital, in Manchester, New Hampshire. He is well known to many people of Wilmington, being a Billerica resident.

Co-Chairmen of the Ticket Committee are Arthur B. Harper, 31 Crest Avenue, North Wilmington (OL 8-2514) and Mrs. Alice Murphy, Carson Avenue (OL 8-3648).

D.A.V. URGES FOUR CHAPLAINS MEMORIAL DAY

The national recognition of the first Sunday in February as Four Chaplains Memorial Day has been urged by the Disabled American Veterans. Commander William Smith of the William F. Tattersall Chapter of Wilmington said that day would be designated by the D.A.V. in honor of the four World War II Chaplains who voluntarily gave their lives for their men in the sinking of the Troop Ship, 'Dorchester' ten years ago.

The D.A.V. Commander suggested that each place of religious worship give special recognition on February 3rd to the four Chaplains who symbolize the deeds of heroism performed by the Chaplains of all Faiths.

YOUNG ADULTS OF WILMINGTON AND SO. TEWKSBURY TO HOLD RECORD HOP AT WILDWOOD SCHOOL

The Young Adults of the Wilmington and So. Tewksbury Methodist Church who have recently united into one group will sponsor a record hop for high-schoolers, working young people out of high school and college students. The record hop will be held in the Wildwood School on Saturday, January 28 beginning at 8 p.m.

Arthur Cummings, who conducted the last record hop sponsored by this group with so much success will be on hand for this one. The cost of tickets will be 65 cents and may be secured from any member of the group or purchased at the door.

FUN CAPADES OFFERS OPPORTUNITIES

The 'Fun Capades' of 1956 being presented Monday and Tuesday evening Feb. 13 and 14 at the Shawsheen School Auditorium Tewksbury under the Auspices of St. Dorothy's parish offers unusual and exciting opportunity to boys and girls between the ages of nine and twelve as well as the teen-age who has a leading role.

Al Mitchell and troupe are having special rehearsals for some of the cast as the time is drawing near. Tickets are going well and solicitors of the patron and patroness book are asked to have all names in by Feb. 1st to Mrs. Wm. Tattersall, Chairman of book committee.

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TOWN NOTES

(From Page 2)

men who had been temporarily hired for this winter. We understand the total is 16 men.

The industry did not lose a contract with General Motors. That story was a garbled version of another, in which the industry had been hoping to enlarge its services, and thus keep the 16 men.

A New Jeanie

Wilmington skaters, next Saturday, will get a chance to see one of their rare ones, to watch Jeanie Ashworth on the ice, at the Skating Rink. To see Jeanie skate is something that will never be forgotten, as those who have seen her in Boston Garden will testify. If she ever appears again at the Garden it will be purely on invitation, as she has won every prize that the Garden has to offer, and can no longer enter the competition. That is why we say that Saturday will be one of the rare chances for Wilmington people to see Jeanie on skates.

We are getting a new Jeanie, too--Nancy Weinberg. Still only six years old, she is something to dream about when she gets on skates. Give Nancy a few more years and we'll be screaming about her too!

Basketball

There is always one missing ingredient, it seems. When a house wife has planned to bake a cake, she finds that she is all out of eggs. When a man sees a trout rising in a nice stream is just the time that his fishing tackle is home in the garage.

Our High School Basketball team has a missing ingredient too. They have a very fine basketball court, a good coach, uniforms, and boys willing to play--but no basketball hoops!

The hoops were supposed to have been installed in the court last October. We understand that it has got to the point where they are now in the freight shed, in the Wilmington depot, and it looks as though they will stay there for a while. The contractor is supposed to come out and get them and put them in place, but he hasn't got around to it. The School Authorities don't want to, for then they take on a responsibility for something that is strictly the business of the contractor.

Fire Alarms

Last week there was a

strictly informal testing of the fire alarm system in the High School, without notice, and without fanfare. It happened after school hours, when only a few teachers were present.

The High School is equipped with thermostatic alarms, which will automatically give the alarm if the temperature in the area goes over a certain point. These alarms will soon be hooked directly to the Fire Station, although this has not yet been done. Around 3:30 one afternoon last week the alarms went off. Everybody looked for the fire, but couldn't find it. Finally it was found that a workman with a blow torch had placed the torch on a bench, some six or eight feet below one of the thermostatic controls. Could you ask for a better proof that the alarms work?

ST. THOMAS CHURCH
Rev. Edmund Croke, Pastor

Sunday Masses 7:00, 8:00, 9:30, 10:30 and 11:30. Week-day Masses at 7:00 & 7:30am. Holy Day Masses at 6:00, 7:00, 8:00, and 9:00 am.

Baptisms are administered at the Rectory each Sunday at 2 pm. No appointment is necessary.

On Friday of this week there is to be a pre-lenten dance in Villanova Hall, sponsored by the Junior CDA LEGION OF DECENCY.

A list of objectionable movies published by the National Legion has been posted on the bulletin board of the church.

CONFIRMATION

Bishop MacKenzie will administer Confirmation in this church on May 22nd at 3:00 pm.

GRATITUDE

We express our gratitude for the splendid response in the Monthly Building Fund collection; to Bill Smith for his work in restoring the moving picture equipment and installations at Villanova Hall; to Father Regan and the Holy Name Society for giving our youth an excellent Sports Night program last Friday.

COMING

Friday February 3rd will be our Second Annual reunion. The Committee plans on contacting each family in the parish with tickets. We need the full cooperation of every parishioner. It will be a chance to know the priests and parishioners of the parish better.

An interesting, enjoyable and friendly evening will be had by all. The program includes dancing, Grand March, Reception, entertainment and then dancing again until 12:30. Our entertainer will be George Gillet, whose musical, humorous and audience participation program will be a delight to all.

Up to this time both Monsignor Shea from Boston and Monsignor Shea from North Andover have accepted invitations to be present.

FORMER MISSIONARY IN RED CHINA TO SPEAK AT WORLD VISION INSTITUTE SUNDAY, JANUARY 29, 6 P.M. CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

The Rev. Oscar Guinn, who

served as a missionary teacher in Foochow, China, will be the guest speaker at the last meeting in the current series sponsored by the Wilmington Area Council of Protestant Churches.

Mr. Guinn arrived in Foochow in 1948, and on August 17, 1949 the city fell into the hands of the communists. He and his wife were finally able to leave the country with their small child in December of 1950. In the period he stayed in China under Communist rule he learned many

things which he will share with the people of Wilmington in attendance at this meeting on Sunday, January 29th beginning at 6 p.m. in the Congregational Church. The members of the United Christian Youth Movement will be in charge of the devotional period and the refreshments.

MR. HARRY AINSWORTH
ADDRESSED THE WILMINGTON
LIONS CLUB

Mr. Harry Ainsworth, the Probation Officer of the Fourth District Court and the former Chief of Police of Wilmington, presented many interesting points to the members of the Wilmington Lions Club last week.

Mr. Ainsworth indicated the fact that the idea of probation started in this state in 1887 and in 1891 it was mandatory that Massachusetts make allowances for Probations Officers.

The speaker has had nine years experience as a Probation Officer and his remarks included the procedures followed when one is to be appointed to a position similar to his. He explained the duties of his position and how his staff aids each person in every way possible to get back on to an equal footing with the others of our every day society. Mr. Ainsworth's work involves adults and not juveniles. The juveniles are considered by another officer of the court.

Various situations were cited by the speaker to

clarify the points stressed. The members of the Wilmington Lions Club expressed their appreciation to the guest for the enlightening remarks.

CAFETERIA MENUS
WEEK OF JAN. 30

MONDAY: Baked Ham Loaf with pineapple, Sweet Potatoes, Buttered Green Beans, Bread and Butter, Cookies, Milk.

TUESDAY: Meat Loaf with Spanish Sauce, Mashed Potatoes, Buttered Carrots, Bread & Butter, Chocolate Pudding, Milk.

WEDNESDAY: Chicken Soup, Chicken Salad Sandwich, potato Chips, Celery Sticks, Tangerines, Milk.

THURSDAY: Hot Roast pork with Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Buttered Spinach, Date Nut Muffins & Butter, Fruit, Milk.

FRIDAY: Tomato Juice, Tuna Salad Roll, Buttered Peas, Cheese Pieces, Midnight Chocolate Cake, Milk.

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COMING EVENTS

(Please call OL 8-2973 to list events in this column. No calls accepted after Monday Noon for listing.)

Thursday Jan 26

- 1:00 P of H Luncheon, home of Margaret Calnan
2:00 Handy Hands--Mrs. Leonard
3:15 Girl Scouts--Mrs. Brown
3:15 Brownies--Mrs. Siteman
3:15 Busy Needles
6:30 M.E. boys basketball
8:00 Cong. church choir rehearsal
8:00 M.E. Church choir rehearsal
8:00 Installation of Rainbow Girls

Friday Jan 27

- 3:15 Girl Scouts-Walker School
3:15 Brownies-Walker School
3:30 Girl Scouts-Meth- odist Church
5:00 Political Candidates file with Registrars
7:00 Cong. Junior High basketball
7:00 Pack 57 SLBA
8:00 Jr. CDA Dance at Villanova

Saturday Jan 28

- 2-5:00 Children's Dance at SLBA-Polio Benefit Skating Exhibition a Wil. Skating Club
4:00 Middlesex Essex Pomona Grange at Stoneham Odd Fellows Hall
7:00 Beta Chi Progressive supper

Sunday Jan 29

- 1:00 Silver Skates in Boston

Monday Jan 30

- 2:30 Girl Scouts at Library
3:15 Brownies at Wildwood School
3:15 Brownies at Mrs. McCabe's
3:15 Girl Scouts at Wildwood School
3:30 Brownies--Mrs. Anderson
3:30 Hobby Club
3:30 Girl Scouts--Mrs. Hancock
3:30 Girl Scouts at ME Church
3:45 Girl Scouts--Mrs. Sawyer
7:00 Congl. Senior High Basketball

Tuesday Jan 31

- 3:00 Girl Scouts at Congl Church
3:15 Girl Scouts--Mrs. A.

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3:15 Girl Scouts- Mrs Butt
3:15 Girl Scouts- Mrs Lyons
3:30 Brownies at ME Church
8:00 Card party at Margaret Calnan's for Grange

Wednesday Feb 1

- 10:30 a. m. Meeting of the L.B.S.
3:15 Brownies- Mrs O'Hare
6:30 Potluck Supper Circle 5 at ME Church
7:00 Troop 56 at Congl. Church
7:30 Devotions and Business Meeting of Circle 5
7:30 Power Squadron Course at WHS
8:00 Pilot Group at ME Church
8:00 meeting of the DAV

Friday Feb 3

Saint Thomas Reunion

Sunday Feb 5

- Mothers March on Polio
8:00 DAV Aux. Whist Party refreshments and penny sale

Monday Feb 6

- 8:00 Grange Hall Corp. Meeting-Thomas McQuaide on Grove Avenue

Tuesday Feb 7

- 8:00 Card party at Margaret Calnan's
8:00 OES rehearsal

Wednesday Feb 8

- 8:00 Grange: Middlesex Essex pomona Officers to fill chairs

Thursday Feb 9

- 1:00 P of H Luncheon

Friday Feb 10

- 8:30 Saint Dorothy's Whist party

Saturday Feb 11

- 8:30 OES Guest Night at Wildwood School

Monday Feb 13

- 7:30 to 9:00 Business night at Town Hall

Tuesday Feb 14

- 8:00 Acacia Chapter at Masonic Hall
8:00 Valentine Whist, Grange Hall
Saint Dorothy's Fun Capades at Shawsheen School So. Tewksbury

Wednesday Feb 15

- St. Dorothy's Fun Capades at Shawsheen School, So Tewksbury

- 8:00 DAV Meeting

Tuesday Feb 21

- 8:00 VFW Military Ball

Saturday March 3

Town Election

Saturday March 10

Annual Town Meeting

Friday March 16

'Circus priest'

'NO WOMEN IN THE KITCHEN'
POT LUCK SUPPER TO BE HELD IN ME CHURCH NEXT WEDNESDAY

A 'Pot Luck' supper which is planned so that 'No women will have to spend an evening in the kitchen' is planned for next Wednesday at 6:30 pm in the Wilmington Methodist church.

'Come and bring your family' reads the invitation. 'There will be no charge. Just bring a casserole, salad or desert. Make it enough to serve six. So that there will be no women spending the evening in the kitchen, please bring your own dishes and silverware'.

After the supper Allen Kent Brown a graduate student of Boston University School of Theology will speak on the American Indian. Mr. Allen, who is a former member of the Methodist Board of Missions Survey Committee, has recently visited many of the Indian reservations.

It will be part of the regular monthly meeting of the Women's Society for Christian Service. Mrs William Mills (OL-8-2204) is in charge of arrangements.

WILMINGTON TOWN LEAGUE BOWLING NEWS

Tuesday-Jan. 17, 1956--
The Town league rolled its 18th week of the season and without any team losing their respective place in the standings. First place Bennys Radio downed the third place Dodgers to the tune of four points which gave them a lead of four points over the nearest rival at this writing is the Boosters who rolled into a four point loss to the Weet End boys who are now definitely in this real hot race. The fourth place Knickerbockers remained in their fourth place slot as they were downed for three points by the fifth place Spoilers. The North End and Buck Bros. postponed their match due to the snow storm and will roll it off at a later date. The league is still at a very high pitch with all teams rolling for every pin that is possible. This is possibly one of its closest races for the past few years.

All the high standings remained the same. Next Tuesdays matches finds the Spoilers vs North End, West End vs Dodgers, Bennys Radio vs Boosters and Knickerbockers vs Buck Bros.

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D. Woods	98.22
F. Harkins	98.18
R. Rankin	98.7

VISITS MISSISSIPPI

The grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel F. Perry of 20 High Street and with whom he makes his home, Mr. Perry Umphrey with his wife Elizabeth and their baby daughter flew last week to Mississippi for a visit to Mrs. Umphrey's mother and introduce her to her new grandchild.

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HUNDREDS HAVE SPAGHETTI SUPPER IN WILDWOOD SCHOOL

Over 300 people enjoyed a spaghetti supper served by the Wildwood Club for the benefit of the Dental Clinic, Monday evening at the Wildwood School.

The Prince of Song entertained with songs during the supper. Larry Cushing showed films from the Recreation Comm- while the floor was being cleared for dancing. Music was furnished by Herbie MacNeil of Tewksbury and the crowd took good advantage of his fine records.

Mrs. Esther Nichols was presented with a check for \$200.00 as proceeds of the supper. In her acceptance of the check, Mrs. Nichols thanked everyone for their good support of this very worthy cause.

The committee thanked all those who contributed so generously in both effort and donations to make this supper a big success.

METHODIST BOY'S BASKETBALL TEAM PLAYS WEST MEDFORD

The High School Boy's Basketball Team organized under the leadership of Robert Smith played the High School and College age team of the Trinity Methodist Church of West Medford, Thursday, January 12th in the Hobbes High School Gym. The West Medford Team was on the winning end of the score 72 to 47. The score at the end of the half was 41 to 17, with the boys playing hard and well against this experienced team.

A return game will be played in the Wildwood School Gym on Thursday, January 26th at 7 p.m. The twelve high school boys on the Wilmington Methodist Team are looking forward to this game and feel they learned a lot from the game they lost. The Wildwood gym is considerable larger than the Hobbes gym and the boys feel this will be to their advantage.

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